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Dear Sir:

As a means of complying with duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant lists the following references (copies of the listed patents and papers enclosed):

**Foreign Patent Documents**

Exam. Initials	Document No.	Date	Country
W	197 31 453 C2	07/22/99	Germany

The listed patents pertain in a general way to the subject matter of the application, but are not necessarily considered to be analogous prior art.

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